

EPA Superfund Final Reflection Questions

Here is a list of reflection questions that could be used as a final reflection with the students after they complete the unit. This could be completed in several ways: as a class discussion, as a teacher survey, and a journal entry or series of journal entries, or as a group discussion with presentations from each group. Whatever works well for your group of students is fine.

1. Do you feel that you have learned more about Superfund sites and hazardous substances?
2. Were you shocked or surprised at how many areas of the United States have been labeled as Superfund sites? How about how close a superfund site is to you?
3. How effective do you feel that writing a letter to a legislature is as a citizen's method of communication?
4. Do you feel that it is partially the legislature's and government official's duties to make sure that communities are environmentally-safe areas to live?
5. Would you ever consider working in an environmentally-oriented position as an adult? Why or why not?
6. Do you feel that completing this unit has made you more involved in your community?
7. Do you feel that citizens have both the access to creating community change and the responsibility to instigate that change in their communities?
8. Which activity stood out to you as being the most useful for your learning?
9. Did you prefer activities that were research-based, hands-on, or lecture in format? What does this say about your learning style?
10. How could you use the skills you learned about being involved in your community to make other necessary changes?